

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

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TEXTILE REINFORCING LAYER FOR  
FLEXIBLE HOSES, TUBES AND  
SIMILAR EXTENDED OBJECTS

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 15-30.

Please add new claims 31-41 as follows:

--31. An extended textile reinforcement layer for hoses, tubes and similar extended objects, that comprise:

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